# THE SAKS STORE.

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## The New Year's First Offerings.

After-Christmas stock conditions make it expedient to forsake profit and cost considerations. Small lots must be cleared out. Complete lots mast be reduced to small lots. Our merchandising policy makes opportunities for our patrons. The markets, too, afford ready capital unusual advantages. Ours is ever active in your behalf. The conquests of the fleeting year will usher '98 in in a blaze of bargains at The Saks store.

#### Boys' Reefers Worth \$2.50 for \$1.39.

Blue Chinchilla Reefers, warmly lined with plaid effect; brass tons. In sizes 4 to 15 years. Their equals are \$2.50 all over

#### Boys' \$3.75 Blue Reefers for \$2,50.

Blue Chinchilla, with both sailor and ulster collars, plaid Sizes 4 to 16 years. The younger ages are trimmed with

#### Boys' \$7.50 Reefers for \$5.

Choice of two lots-Blue Fur Beaver and Chinchillawith sailor, ulster, and velvet collars; small sizes trimmed with braid; some are serge and some Italian cloth lined. One lot is a reduction—the other a special purchase—both worth \$7.50. Sizes

#### Boys' Top Coats Worth \$5 for \$3.75.

Brown Covert Coats, to fit ages 4 to 8 years. The seams are lapped, the edges are double stitched, and the Coat all through is a

#### Boys' Ulsters Worth \$4 for \$2.95. Neat Oxford Mixed Frieze, cut long and with big storm collar; ulster pockets, lined with Italian cloth. Sizes 7 to 13 years.

## Young Men's \$10 Overcoats for \$7.50.

Black Kersey, medium length, stylish cut, made with double-stitched edges, velvet collar, serge lining, and striped sleeve linings.

## Boys' Reefer Suits Worth \$3.50 for \$2.50.

Plain Black and Novelty Cheviot Reefer Suits, strictly all wool; trimmed with military braid; sizes 4 to 8 years. Also, a lot of plain Black Cheviot Double-Breasted Short Pants Suits up to 15 years worth \$3.50-for \$2.50.

#### Boys' Sailor Suits Worth \$6.50 for \$5.

Made of neat patterns of Brown Basket Cheviot, all wool; trimmed with military and soutache braid; silk emblem on shield. All sizes 3 to 8 years.

## Brownie Suits Worth \$5.50 for \$4.

About 30 of them. Brown and Gray Mixed Cheviot, trimmed with wide military braid and soutache on sailor collar and vest; big Brown silk sailor bow. Sizes 3 to 8 years.

## Boys' Short Pants Suits Worth \$3 for \$1.05.

Brown All-Wool Cheviot, with double-breasted jacket and double seat and knees in pants. Sizes 8 to 15 years—and rarely have we ever offered you a better value.

#### Long Pants Suits Worth \$8,50 and \$10 for \$6.

Handsome Gray Block Plaid Cheviot Suit, with worsted finish: coat cut single-breasted, and pants medium small. All wool and all worth. Sizes 14 to 19. Twenty for the first twenty buyers.

## Men's 50c. Scarfs for 25c.

Choice of Imperials, Tecks, Puffs, Four-in-Hands, Bows, and Clubs—special holiday pattern. Our 50c. Neckwear is the same as others sell at 75c., you know.

#### Men's \$2 and \$2.50 Derbys for \$1.10. All the leading blocks in Black and Brown-Saks' Derbys-

## Boys' \$1.50 Calf Shoes for \$1.19.

Saturday only-solid leather, comfortable and shapely. They'll stand the wear and tear of romping boyhood.

## Boys' \$2.50 Calf Shoes for \$1.98.

Warranted Box Calf; in the best lasts for boys—all sizes—but \$1.98 is a special price for to-day.

# A. SAKS & CO.,

"SAKS' CORNER."

Leaders in Five Cities: \*

A VERY BRIEF SESSION.

Board of Aldermen Break the Record-Council Committee Meetings.

The meeting of the Board of Aldermen last night was the shortest, in point or time, ever held by any branch of the City Council. Just three minutes and thirty seconds intervened between the calling to order and the adjournment of the body, and during that time the Board concurred in the resolution of the Council ask ing for a committee of conference on the question of the two electrical franchises the Board amended at the last meeting.

committee will not be appointed until after the Mayor approves the joint resolution, which asks for the appoint-ment of this committee, but an effort will ment of this committee, but an effort will be made to get the matter settled by January 15th. It will be only possible to do this if the Board recedes from its posi-tion. The sub-committee will meet promptly, and their recommendation will be submitted to the Board or These submitted to the Board on Tuesday,

January, lith.

Members present at the meeting last night were Messrs. Turpin, Allon, Zimmermann, Hardwicke, Vaughan, Cutchers. Snead, Burton, Montgomery, and

The Committee on First Market met at

10 A. M. yesterday, for the purpose or assessing stall rent for 1888.

A petition was received from the renters of stalls in the vegetable and fish markets asking that the rent of the same be reduced.

duced. As reductions have been made in the past, however, the committee decided that it was inadvisable to make any committee decided to recommend to the Finance Committee the following appropriations for the maintenance of the

pay-roll, \$2,400; improvement account, \$1,500. department in 1898: Expense account and Mr. Smith was appointed a committee

Mr. Smith was an interest of one to wait on the Water Committee and ask that the fire-plug be replaced at the southwest corner of Seventeenth and Main streets.

Bills and pay-roll amounting to \$96.29

were ordered paid, and the committee ad-

The sub-committee of the Committee on Accounts and Printing, composed of for w Messra. Pollock and Hawkins, met yesterday afternoon, and, by virtue of the power delegated by the general body, awarded the contract for stationery for the year to the Everett Waddey Company and the contract for stationery for the year to the Everett Waddey Company and the contract for believe the stationery for the year to the Everett Waddey Company and the contract for believe the stationery for the sta pany, and the contract for binding to Mesers, Traylor & Epps, These firms were

Messrs. Hayor a haps the lowest bidders. The Committees on Fire Department and Third Market, which were called to meet at 6 and 6:30 P. M., respectively, The Committee on St. John's Burying- call for Home Beer?

Ground met at 8 and transacted routing The pay-roll for the month The following committees will meet to-

Sinking Fund, at 12 o'clock.

Grounds and Buildings, at 5 o'clock.

Richmonds J. H. Hall and W. T. Smoot to J. Stanley Reynolds, 161-12 feet on west

side Sixth street, 213 21/2-12 feet north of Mary F. Otey and Martha A. Hobson's trustee to Metta C. Honegger, 36 feet on

east side Ninth street, 150 feet south of Abigail, and 60 feet on west side Tenth street, 150 feet south of Abigail, \$1,000.

J. W. Phaup to J. D. and R. S. Christian, stock of goods, fixtures, &c., in store 521 Orleans street, and one horse

Anne E. Tennant to Willie B. Tennant, interest in 27 feet on Twelfth street, northwest corner Marshall, \$10.

mond to American Baptist Home Mission reserving vendor's lien on said property,

tional Bank of Richmond, lots 19 and 20 in block 2, Barton's Viaduct Sub-Division,

Martha White to Henry White, 61-2

## The Virginia-Alaska Gold Mining Com

pany, chartered by the present Legislature, will begin work in a practical way about March 15th. The authorized capital of the company is \$100,000. The corporators are Messrs. A. S. Buford, Richmond; J. Thompson Brown, Nelson counmond; J. Thompson Brown, Nelson county; A. D. Watkins, Prince Edward county; R. C. Marshall, Portsmouth; Claude A. Swanson, Pittsylvania county; Daniel Trigg, Abingdon; T. C. Pilcher, Fauquier county; James H. McGavock, Wythe county, and H. W. Flournoy, Richmond. There will be a party of about fifty or seventy-five men sent to the Copper River Valley, Alaska, about March 15th. It will be in charge of Judge H. W. Flours. will be in charge of Judge H. W. Flournoy, and will be equipped for mining and for withstanding the rigors of the wea-

A Good Idea.

The Young Men's Business Association and the Chamber of Commerce are daily and the Chamber of Commerce are daily searching for the best methods to build up Richmond by advocating the establish-ment of new manufacturing enterprises. Why not patronize those you have? The Home Brewing Company has a plant here that is a credit to any city. Their product is pure and unsurpassed. Do you

## MAKE FEW CHANGES.

MR. HELMS SAYS HE DOES NOT WANT TO USE THE GUILLOTINE.

HAS OFFERED ONLY TWO PLACES.

perintendent of the Farm-He Has Heard Mr. Donald Would Not Accept-Has Not Found His Money.

There will be few changes made in the orce at the penitentiary.

This statement is made on the authority of Superintendent-elect Helms, who arwas accompanied from Franklin county by Dr. C. C. Price, formerly of that county, but now of Arkansas, and a graduate of the Medical College of Virginia.

Murphy's by a Dispatch reporter, and he talked quite freely of his plans.

WILL QUALIFY TO-DAY. He complained of Being very tired, and was lying on the bed during the interview. "I haven't many plans," he said. "I am going to take the oath before the Secretary of the Commonwealth to-morrow and file with him my bond of \$30,000, The Baltimore Guarantee Company is my

"As to appointments, I tell you there are going to be precious few. Sam. Donald, of Augusta county, can have the place of first assistant if he will accept it, but I understand, as the Dispatch Finch, of Botetourt, will be offered the place of superintendent of the State Farm, and I think there is no doubt

THERE WILL BE FEW CHANGES.

"Further than these, I do not know of from everybody informed on the subject from everybody informed on the subject with whom I have talked that the force out there is a good one, and I do not see any reason for changing it, simply because there is a change of superintendents. All this talk about heads having to go off because certain of the guards supported Major Lynn for reelection is nonsense. I want to say that if they are faithful man they will be seen. if they are faithful men they will be resupported me are not efficient I will not hesitate to supersede them with men who

will do their duty.
"As a matter of fact, I prefer having experienced men under me, for awhile, at least, for I am unacquainted with the details of the management, of course, and it would be a great help to have the assistance of trained men.

"Are you going to pile up money for the State, Mr. Helms?" asked the re-

WILL TRY TO MAKE MONEY.

"I'm going to do my best," said Mr. Helms. "I intend to make every edge cut, and if there is such a thing possible," I will turn in a considerable sum to represent net profits. I don't want to op-press anybody; I shall be fair and straightforward to the men, but I expect them to do the work required of them, and I shall always remember that men are not condemned to the penitentiary to have a good time.
"Applications for places? Well, I should

think I had. Look yonder," and Mr. Helms pointed to an immense pile of letters on the opposite side of the room.
"I do not know how many are there, persons have asked me for places. have tried to reply, but I am sure a great many have falled to hear from me. The

job was too big."
Mrs. Helms will probably join her husband Monday. He says he ran away to escape the packing. He has a daughter about 18 years of age, who is a pupil at Hollins Institute and will graduate next year. He has no other children. HAS NOT FOUND HIS MONEY.

Mr. Helms has never found any trace of the \$135 and valuable papers stolen from his room at Murphy's several weeks

of office to-day, he will not assume charge of the penitentiary till next week, probably Tuesday. Superintendent Lynn will continue his reign until that time, and will then take up his residence at 1631 west Grace street. Later, he will visit his brother at Los Angeles, Cal., where he will spend some time studying the culture of sugar-beets and the manufacture of sugar from them. The Major intimates that he may engage either in growing the beets or in sugar manufac

## CAPTAIN BOSSIEUX IS BAILED.

His Case Certified to Grand Jury-

Inquest Over Thornton's Body. Captain Eugene Bossleux, the popular Chesapeake and Ohio conductor, who shot and killed the negro youth-James Thornton-on the tracks of the railroad, at Orleans-Street Station, on Thursday, was admitted to ball yesterday morning by Magistrate Larus.

Coroner Croxton held an inquest yesterday morning over the remains of the dead youth, and the jury rendered a verdict that the boy came to his death by reason of a pistoishot fired by Captain Bossieux. The jury assembled at the court-house, and in company with the Coroner, went out to the home of Thorn ton's mother, on Nicholson street, ex-tended, where they viewed the remains. After the inquest, Mr. H. M. Smith

ounsel for Captain Bossieux, repaired to the county court-house, where Justice Larus convened his court for the purpose of giving the accused a preliminary hearing. Commonwealth's-Attorney Con-way R. Sands, was on hand to look after the interests of the prosecution, but the case was not gone into, it being certified to the grand jury, when Captain Bossieux walved examination. An appli-cation was then made for ball, which was promptly granted. The sum of \$1,000 was named as the bond, and this was furnished, and the popular conductor walked from the court-room, and hastened to his home on Church Hill.

The case will come up before the January grand jury, which will convene some time next week.

Entertained the Invalid Children.

Several of the scholars of the Primary Department of St. James Methodist Epis-copal church Sabbath school visited the Retreat for the Sick yesterday afternoon, and for an hour or two entertained in a most interesting manner the inmates of the children's ward. Harriet Crew, Etta

and Clifford Godsey, and Seabrook Woody recited; Lottle Benedict, Katle Werner, and Myrtle Chatham sang very sweetly, while Sam Woody, in the role of parson, performed a doll marriage in true ministerial style. The bride and groom were the close of the entertainment a feast was

## "For Coughs

any cold or cough medicine made. I have used it for years and am never without a bottle in the house."

J. T. COOKE, Publisher, Waynesboro, Va.

Ayer's

HALF-SIZE BOTTLES, soc.



HAS A FULL HOUSE.

Justice John's Services Well Attend-

ed-Variety of Sinners and Sins. For a bad Friday, Justice John's cer

vices at the White Temple yesterday great variety of sinners, with a great variety of sins to confess. They all told their little tales of woe, and received their due portien of justice.

Rosa Parker and Teney Fun, both col ored, were charged with creating a disturbance on a street-car, and indulging in a fight, to the amusement of the men and the terror of the ladies on board, and were fined \$10 cach. In the case of Henry Thomas (colored),

charged with assaulting and beating David Willis, the accused was fined \$5. John Brown, a white man, was before the court, charged with carrying a pistol and also with being a susplcious character. He was fined the usual \$50 for freight on the weapon, and held in the sum of \$200 for twelve months on the second charge. It is believed by the officers who made the arrest that they have such evidence against Brown in other charges

which will make it warm for him.

The case of Alexander White (colored), charged with stealing a gold watch, valued at \$55, was continued over until to-day. The timepiece is the property of to-day. The timepiece is the property of M. J. McDonough. In the case of Annie Newton, charged

with striking Ellick Williams with a flatiron, the girl was requested to give security in \$100 for thirty days. Annie said Ellick struck her first, and she struck him back again. John C. Burns was charged with trespassing on the premises of R. McJones, and was sent down in default of \$300 se-

curity for twelve months.

In the case of David Harris (colored), charged with carrying away a lot of coal from the Chesapeake and Ohio Rallway

Company, the accused was sent down for Henry Jones (colored) was sent to jail for ninety days, charged with stealing a watch and chain valued at \$6, the pro-

#### GOLF TOURNAMENT TO-DAY.

Will Be Held at Lakeside Park This Morning at 11 o'Clock.

perty of Thomas Jackson.

The golf tournament to be held on the links of the Lakeside Wheel Club this morning bids fair to be quite a society event, and large crowds will doubtless at-No entrance fee will be charged, and all members of the club interested in the game have been requested to enter the contest, regardless of their proficiency. By the handicap system, the Green Com-mittee will endeavor to put all players on an equal footing. Play will be regulated by rules compiled from those of the United States Golf Association.

Beautiful and appropriate prizes will be awarded the winners. The first pale for gentlemen will be a very handsome silver cup, suitably en-

The first ladies' prize is a silver chatelaine score-card.
Imported Scotch caddy bags-one

for the lady and gentleman-will be se The third prize will be Condie Golf Nibicks, imported from St. Andrews, Scotand, where the game had its origin.

The club-house, where a delicious lunch-eon will be served after the game, has been handsomely decorated in cedar and holly, and the whole affair promises

## CHRISTMAS CHEER.

A Happy Time at Union-Station M. E.

A magnificent audience attended the Christmas entertainment of Union-Station Methodist Episcopal Sunday school yesterday afternoon, the spacious auditorium and galleries being filled beyond their seating capacity. The pulpit, platform and the choir gallery had been decorated with cedar and evergreen, presenting

beautiful and inspiring appearance.

The exercises, which were fittingly appropriate, were opened with a short talk and prayer by the pastor, followed in order by the following programme: Ope ing chorus, by the choir; song, by th primary department, "Joy to the World" duet, by Miss Hogan and Mrs. Warren Christmas cantata, participated in by number of small children, during which they hung up their stockings over the impromptu fireplace for Santa Claus to fill. In a short while old Santa appeared, preceded by eight little girls dressed in white, representing fairies. He filled the stockings at the fireplace and retired.
At the conclusion of the programme, th children, with their teachers, repaired to the lecture-room, where boxes filled with confections, were given each member of the school. The affair was greatly enjoyed by all present.

## The New Year Is Cold.

The cold wave herolded by the weather wise came in on a stiff breeze last night As the sun set, the wind rose, and the mercury sank rapidly. To-day, according to official estimate, will be fully 16 degrees colder than yesterday. This is what Section-Director Evans had to say about the conditions yesterday:

The barometer pressure is lowest in the lake region and Middle Atlantic States, and highest on the eastern slope of the Rockies.

The low area which was over the lake region yesterday has moved southeast to the lower lakes and the Middle Atlantic States, increasing in energy and causing cloudiness and precipitation over the districts under its influence.

the Central valleys during the past twenty-four hours. The temperature has fallen. Threatening weather, with rain or snow, is indi-cated for this vicinity within the next thirty-six hours, and it will be colder to-

dle Atlantic States, the lake region, and

Fine Tobacco for Virginia Growth. Colonel Thomas Whitehead, the Comissioner of Agriculture, is in receipt of the following letter from a well-known Dear Sir: Will you be so good as to send

Dear Sir: Will you be so good as to send me a few of the "Vuelto Abajo" tobacco-seed? Some twenty years ago Dr. R. A. Dabney, of the Union Theological Semi-nary, gave me a few seed, and the to-bacco proved to be equal to any Habana cigar I ever saw, and for chewing, when sun-cured, was superior to any of the sun-cured, was superior to any of the Orinoko's. Rats destroyed my seed many years ago. When I cultivated it, I did not top, as customary with other varilies, as it must go to seed to preserve the

aroma.
"Wishing you much pleasure in this season of joy, I am, truly, etc."

TRODUCE 1898 WITH FESTIVITIES.

A SWANSBORO' MERCHANT FAILS.

A Trustee-Man Charged With Beating His Wife-Church Entertalaments and Other News.

The annual german of the Manchester Cotillon Club, at the close of the old year at Leader Hall last night. Dancing be gan at 10 o'clock and continued until 3 o'clock. In keeping with the custom the midnight hour was danced throughout, that the saying should be true "They danced the old year out and the new year in." At 1 o'clock refreshments were served in abundance, and then the gay chatting around the festive board gave way to the the "music of the feet" again The attendance of members of the club was good, and with them were also a number of their guests.

The young men of Swansboro' also tendered a dance to their lady friends at Morrissett's Hall last night. Here, too, the dancing was continued until a for your honest endeavors. Very s late, or rather early, hour, when the cerely yours, F. C. TODD, young people separated for their respective homes.

This affair was greatly enjoyed. A large number of dancers were present. After several hours of devotion to Terpsichore, a collation was served. Dancing was continued after this short,

Santa Claus greased up his bicycle yes nerve and bone limiment, and came last night to Bainbridge-Street Baptist and Cowardin-Avenue Christian churches. of music, dialogues, and recitations were mothers' side burdened with the candy

had brought. HER HUSBAND BEAT HER. Hannah Brown, a colored woman, came to the Police Station last night and in-formed Officer Smith that she was "mad." She said her husband, Archer Brown, had to it if Mr. Smith wasn't accommodating including basket-ball, a three-legged enough to do so. She said he followed race, and other games. her down the street, and for every step she took he would strike her with the stick he was carrying. He had also called her names. Archer put in his appearance, and said "'twon't a word of it so," and he "haint never beat her in his life." He said some very hard things He said some very hard things her also. The officer summoned them to appear this morning at 9 o'clock and tell Mayor Maurice all about it.

SWANSBORO' MERCHANT ASSIGNS. W. B. Taylor, a Swansboro' merchant, W. B. Taylor, a Swansboro' merchant, dealing in general produce, filed a deed of assignment with the Clerk of the Chesterfield County Court yesterday, naming Mr. Thomas P. Pettigrew as trustee. He conveys to the trustee for the benefit of his creditors the stock in the store and all his real estate, including the lot on which the store building stands, and two dwellings in Swansboro'. The trustee is instructed to conseats can be secured, commencing at 9 A. M. to-day. The attraction will be a boro'. The trustee is instructed to con-duct the business for thirty days, if he thinks well, and at that time the stock will be sold at auction. The creditors are classified as follows:

First-J. B. Blanton, of Richmond, for Second-Whittle, Sydnor &Co., for \$150. Third-Todd & Justis, for \$100. Fourth-All other creditors will share

OFFICERS FOR THE NEW YEAR. Rocky Ridge Council, No. 36, has elected the following gentlemen to be the offi-cers of the council for the next term: Councillor, J. W. Tinger; Vice-Councillor, C. A. Watkins; Recording Secretary, J. J. Lavier; Assistant Recording Secretary, L. R. Brown; Financial Secretary, J. D. Reams; Treasurer, G. L. Huband; Conductor, W. E. Matthews; Warden, P. L. Clary; Inside Sentinel, H. A. Sanderson; Outside Sentinel, T. S. Marshall; Trustee,

A. Watkins, The regular meeting of the Ladies Missionary Society of Stockton-Strest Baptist church, will be held at the church on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The election of officers will take place on this occasion, and an excellent programme, embracing songs and dialogues, will also

Manchester Lodge, No. 3, Royal Tribe of Joseph, will also begin the year with new officers. They are as follows: Past Patriarch, C. W. Eaton; Patriarch, G. W. Reams; Vice-Patriarch, A. J. Smith; Priest, Rev. W. E. Hurt; Scribe, W. W. Archer; Treasurer, J. E. Redford; Inner Guard, John W. Archer; Outside Guard, C. D. Corbus; Trustees—D. A. Nunnally; A. H. Thomas, and W. B. Taylor.

PERSONALS AND BRIEFS. Judge B. A. Hancock will open the Ciruit Court of Petersburg on Wednesday,

Miss Annie Hughes, of Petersburg, is visiting Miss Ella Jones, of Swansboro'. Rosa Turnley drew a handsome doli at Mrs. Morrissett's, in Swansboro'.

Mr. Henry P. Buell, of Tarboro', N. C., s visiting his mother, Mrs. Ellen Buell. on Porter street. City Home and Poor Committee will meet in the Auditor's office this af-

Miss Livey Wentzel, of Richmond, is the guest of her friend, Miss Dalsy Cheatham, in Marx's Addition. Miss Mabel Brooks, of Columbia, S. C.

is visiting Miss Maggie Kahl, of Swans-To-day is a legal holiday, and the postoffice will observe New Year by closing up at 11 o'clock in the morning. The

their sister, Miss Alice Burke. Thomas Kennon Garnett, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Hay Garnett, died at the residence of his parents, No. 1400 Porter street, yesterday morning. The funeral service will take place this af-ternoon at 3 o'clock from Meade-Memorial Rev. Benjamin Dennis, the rec-

#### Odd-Fellows' Entertainment. Richmond Lodge, No. 1, L. O. O. F.,

nlimentary entertainment to be given on the night of January 3d, when the newly-elected officers of the lodge will be installed. The affair will take place a Belvidere Hall, and will be very attrac tive. The arrangements have been made, and will be carried out by the following committee: Ira P. Bland (chairman), Arthur A. Spitzer (secretary), Robert Hill, Jr. (treasurer), Thomas J. Wood, George B. Davis, D. E. Munroe, E. M. Whitlock, Gus. E. Delarue, A. W. Rosene, Robert Wright, J. H. Liesfeld, C. L. Weisiger, and Thomas A. Scott.
Mr. George B. Davis will deliver an

Con-

sumption

address, after which the officers will be installed. Then will follow these vocal and instrumental selections: Vocal selection. East-End Glee Club; recitation, Miss M. Louise Davis; comic song, James B. Poindexter; vioin solo, John J. Reinhardt; baritone solo, H. T. Cardozo; banjo and song, Brother E. E. Davis; cheering glee, East-End Glee Club; recitation, Aubin Terrell; tenor solo, Mr. Haddon Watkins; recitation, Jeane Lovenstein; violin and plano duet, Evensen Brothers.

The entertainment will be brought to a close with a charade, entitled "The Klondike," with the following cast: Herebert Denison (ex-Confed.), George B.

bert Denison (ex-Confed.), George B.
Davis, Jr.; Mabel Hastings, Miss Florence
Evans; Harry Wellsport, A. Pacini; Clara
Meade, Miss M. Louise Davis.

#### THANKS THE YOUNG MEN.

Appreciative Letter from Mr. Todd, of the Virginia Electric Company. The following letter fully explains it-

Mr. Fairfax C. Christian, Chairman Com-mittee of the Young Men's Business Association, Richmond, Va.: Dear Sir.-In behalf of the Virginia

Electric Company, of Baltimore city, I wish to thank you, and through you the Young Men's Business Association, for the interest you have shown in the se-curing of our city franchise, and we wish to thank you heartily for your valuable assistance in this matter.

We feel sure that the accomplishment of this development will mean so much to Richmond, that the citizens of Richmond, besides ourselves, owe you much for your honest endeavors. Very sin-President.

APPOINTED BY SECRETARY GAGE

Dr. Staton Succeeds Dr. White as Surgeon to the Merchant Marine. Dr. Lee W. Staton has been appointed assistant surgeon to the merchant marine.

Collector Bethel was notified of the ac-

tion of the Secretary of the Treasury yes-

terday afternoon. Dr. Staton succeeds

Dr. Isaiah H. White, who has held the position for four years.

The office of the surgeon of the service is at the custom-house. The work is very light, and the salary attached to

New Year's at the Association. The association building will be open

the whole of New-Year's day, and there will be an entire absence of formality. Every department will be open, and members and friends are cordially in- for 75c, vited to call.

At 9:30 o'clock in the morning the Ju-nior Bible Class will be held—the larger boys in the blue-room and small boys in the parlor.

At 10:30 A. M. there will be an opening session of the boys' class, when a number of interesting events will take place.

From 5 to 8 o'clock there will be seve-ral bowling contests, and from 8:39 to 10

the day or evening.
The New-Year's entertainment will take place Monday night at 8:15 o'clock in the association hall. The Rogers-Gril-ley combination will appear, and mem-bers will be admitted free. Reserved

The bowling alleys have been placed

#### Sunday at the Y. M. C. A.

very fine one, and the members' course is bound to become very popular.

The first Sunday of the new year will witness a fine meeting at the association sented to take charge of the mus regularly at these meetings. Rev. Dr. J. C. Hiden will address the meeting J. C. Hiden will address the meeting upon the theme, "Too Late for the Wedding." Mrs. J. L. Rowe, the sweet contralto, will be the soloist.

The Boys' Gospel Army will meet in the

association parlor at 3 o'clock, for the regular army service. Mr. W. R. Walker will talk about "A Boy Soldier." Red and blue choirs will sing. The worker's training class will hold

taking up "Examples of Personal Work."
At this meeting the first lessons in the new text-book will be given out for the following Sunday.

## The Members' Course.

The second number of the course of entertainments given under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association to the nambers will take place next Monday night, January So. The attraction for the evening consists of Messrs. Van Venchton Rogers, harp soloist, and Charles T. Grilley, the entertainer. These high-class artists have appeared on many of the largest courses in the country. The audience next Monday night will probably be one of the largest of the

## ATLANTIC-COAST LINE.

Holiday Excursion Rates

The Atlantic-Coast Line will sell, ac-count Christmas holidays, round-trip tickets between local stations on its lines at 4 cents per mile one way for the round

Tickets Richmond to Lynchburg and return, \$5; and Richmond to Norfolk and return, \$3.50.

Tickets on sale December 22d to 25th, inclusive, and December 30, 1897, to January 1, 1838, inclusive, good to return until January 4, 1838, inclusive.

Tickets will be sold to students of colleges and schools at same rates as named above upon presentation of certificate signed by the superintendents, principals or presidents thereof on December 16th to 25th, inclusive; final limit January 4, 1898. C. S. CAMPBELL.

Division Passenger Agent.

We offer the following to-day for New Year's: Three pounds Mixed Nuts for 25c.; Sweet Florida Oranges, 25c. dozen; Large Messina Lemons, 10c, dozen; Fresh up at 11 o'clock in the morning. The carriers will make one delivery at 10 o'clock A. M., and one collection at 7 A. M.

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Edgar B. Burke have returned to their home, in West Virginia, after spending the holidays with relatives and friends in this city. They were accompanied by their sister, Miss Alice Burke.

pounds New Figs for 25c.; Sweet Clder, 20c. gallon; Wine for Jelly, 10c. quart; Rival Gelatine, 5c. box; New Dates, 5c. pound; New Virginia Buckwheat, 3c. pound; 14 packs Firecrackers for 25c.

Store open from 6 A. M. to 12 P. M., New Year's Year's. S. ULLMAN'S SON, Up-Town Store, 506 east Marshall street.

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PERSONAL. HAVING PURCHASED THE TWIN-CITY DRUGSTORE, corner Seventh and Main streets, I hope by strict attention to the retail drug business in all its branches I may merit a large share of the patronage of my friends and the public.

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C. H. DORSET.

Richmond, V., December 20, 1897.

I HAVE THIS ID AY APPOINTED C. E. SAUNDERS my gent to conduct the RETAIL FANCY iROCERY BUSINESS in the city of Rickmond, to buy and sell for cash only.

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A veritable bargain landslide in Coats.

Absolutely and emphatically the lowest prices ever named for

finely-tailored garments. This is indeed a glorious opportunity for the money-saving masses, for the orders were given to reduce every garment in the house, and these fine coats have

not been spared. Full Silk-Lined Coats, full Taffeta striped, lined, full satin lined, Persian lamb lined, braided, and all Russian Blouses, velour Russian Blouses, soid originally for \$17, \$20, \$22, and \$25, now \$10. Black Melton Cloth, box-front coats, storm collars, reduced from \$1.9 to \$1.90, Black Beaver, Half-Satin-Lined Coats, box front, storm collars, \$3.50. Rough Persian Cloth Lined Silk Coats, full lined, sold for \$10, for \$5.



Russian Blouses
of Kersey and
Beaver Cloths, full
silk - lined, plain
and braided Coats
that positively sold
for from \$12 to \$20;
choice, \$7.50.
Finest Seal Plush
Capes, plain fur
trimmed, beaded
and braided, full
satin lined, sold

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Children's Heavy Reefers, all styles, all

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BROAD-STREET METHODIST

CHURCH corner of Broad and Tenth streets).— Sunday school 9:30 A. M. Freaching at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. by the pastor, Rev. W. G. STARR, D. D. Moraing subject: "The Hight Starting Point for the New Year." At night, "Who Will. Open 'ne Book Which was Scaled with Seven Scale?" A condial welcome to all. EPISCOPAL CHURCH corner Pine and Frank-in streets)—Rev. Thomas N. Ports, D. D., Paster, Services at 11 A. M., and 8 . M., conducted by pasto. Subject of morning sermon: "Memories and Their Worth." Subject of evening sermon:

"Crapks, Croakers, and Christians," by request A cordial invita ion to all. MEY CLAY-STREET METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH (corner Adams and Clay streets)—Rev. E. H. RAWLINGS Pastor.—Sabbath school, 9:15 A. M. Preaching at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. by the Pastor. Woman's Missionary Society Monday Afternoon, 4 ocieck. Official meeting Monday Evening, 8 o'clock; class meeting Tuesday Evening, 8 o'clock, midweek prayer service Wednesday Evening, 8 o'clock, Epworth (League Devotional meeting, 8:15 o'clock.

METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL SOCIETY .- The annual meeting of the SCHOOL SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Methodist Sunday School Society, of Kichmond, will be held at Broad-street church SUNDAY AFTERNOOV at 3:30 o'clock. Election of officers and other important business.

A. J. GARY, President Charles P. Rady, Secretary.

DEST'S ECOND PRESBYTERIAN The Presbyterian churches of the city will unite in the celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at Night in the First Presbyterian church. In consequence of this joint communion at 8 o'clock P. M. there will be no service in the Second Presbyterian church at 4 P. M.

BEF GRACE-STREET PRESBYTE-FRIENDS .- MEFTING FOR

dirine worship EVERY SARBATH MORNING at 11 o'clock. Seats are free, and all are velcome. Meeting-house Clay street above First. Services also at 10 o'clock A. M. on WEDNESDAY. FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH corner of Twelfth and Broad streets).—R. EONGE COOPER, D. D., pastor, will present Year's sermons at 11 A. M. and S. P. thle school at 9:30 A. M. Young People Bible school at 9:30 A. M. Young People's Union at 4 P. M. A cordial welcome to all.

BEF SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH (corner Six'h and Main streets)—Rey, W. R. L. SMITH, D. D., Pastor.—Sunday school at 9:15 A. M. Preaching at 11 A. M. and 8 F. M. by pastor. Seats froe. A cordial welcome to BOT GRACE-STREET BAPTIST

CHURCH-Rev. WM. E. HATCHER, D. D., Pastor,—Services at the Tabernacio, Grace between Beividere and Pine streets. Sunday school at 10:15 A. M. Preaching by the pastor at 11 A. M. Audrey Williams, Young People's Union Sunday Aftersoon at 4 o'clock, Prayer meeting Wedyksday Night at 8 o'clock. Young men's prayer-meeting Satuaday Night at 8 o'clock. BEFGROVE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH Grove avenue near Beech street.—Rev J. C. Biden. O. D., Pastor.—Preaching at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. by the pastor. Pastor's Bible class from 10 to 10:30 A. M. in main nucleace roots.

WILL BE CLOSED. CLOSED NEW-YEAR'S DAY. Richmond, Va., December 31, 1897. SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 1898. BEING

a legal holiday, it is hereby ordered that
the various offices of the city BE CLOSED
ON THAT DAY, and work suspended in
the various departments, so far as it can
be done without detriment to the interests of the city.

BICHARD M. TAYLOR.
ja 1-it Mayor.

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